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Title: ELECTRICALLY CONTROLLED IN-MUFFLER EXHAUST  
VALVE FOR USE DURING CYLINDER DEACTIVATIONCommissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action from the Examiner mailed on July 12, 2006, please amend the application as follows:

**CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, fax number (571) 273-8300 on October 9, 2006.

  
Lindsey Fortney**BEST AVAILABLE COPY**